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Timeline and Locations of Grand Challenge Media Coverage/Registration Opportunities

All listings are Pacific Standard Time.

Sunday, March 7, 2004: Pre-Registration, Ontario Airport Marriott

12:00 – 5:00: Advance media registration

Ontario Airport Marriott 2200 E. Holt Blvd. Ontario, CA 91761 909/975-5000

Monday, March 8, 2004: Qualification, Inspection and Demonstration (QID) Event Opening Day, California Speedway, Fontana, CA

7:00 a.m.: Registration begins

9:00 a.m.: Opening ceremony/photo-op

10:00 a.m: News conference

1:00 p.m.: QID start

6:00 p.m.: Qualification update

California Speedway 9300 Cherry Ave. Fontana, CA 92335 909/429-5000

Tuesday, March 9 - Friday, March 12, 2004: QID continues

8:00 a.m.: Daily press briefings 6:00 p.m.: Daily qualification update

Friday, March 12, 2004: QID Wrap-Up Press Briefing

10:00 a.m.: QID debriefing

Friday, March 12, 2004: Pre-Registration, Buffalo Bill's, Primm, NV

12:00 – 8:00: Advance media registration

Buffalo Bill's/Primm Valley Resorts 31900 Las Vegas Blvd. South Primm, NV 89019 702/386-7867



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March 13, 2004: Grand Challenge Start, Slash X Café, Barstow, CA

4:00 a.m.: Media registration begins

5:00 a.m.: Press briefing

6:00 a.m.: Starting line ceremony 6:30 a.m.: First vehicle departs

Slash X Café 28040 Barstow Rd. Barstow, CA 92311 760/252-1197

March 13, 2004: Grand Challenge Finish, Buffalo Bill's, Primm, NV

6:00 a.m.: Media registration begins *6:30 a.m.: Satellite feed of entire start

*11:00 a.m.: Video news release (VNR) satellite feed
11:00 a.m.: Media update on Grand Challenge
1:00 p.m.: Media update on Grand Challenge
3:00 p.m.: Media update on Grand Challenge

6:00 p.m.: Finish line press briefing

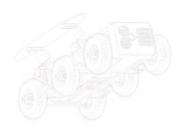
7:00 p.m.: Post-Grand Challenge celebration

March 14, 2004: Announcement of Official Grand Challenge Results, Primm Valley Resort, Primm, NV

Primm, NV – Primm Valley Resort 6:30 p.m.: Honorary dinner

8:00 p.m.: Oversized check presentation 9:00 p.m.: Official results released to media

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^{*}Coordinates for start line and VNR feeds will be posted on www.darpa.mil/grandchallenge.